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In Re the Application of:

ABRAMS

Serial No.: 09/735,721

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For: "FLOCKED TRANSFER AND
ARTICLE OF MANUFACTURE
INCLUDING THE APPLICATION OF
THE TRANSFER BY
THERMOPLASTIC POLYMER
FILM"

) Group Art Unit: 1771

) Examiner: Singh, Arti R.

) **SECOND AMENDMENT AFTER**
) **ALLOWANCE PURSUANT TO**
) **37 CFR § 1.312**

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) submit this Second Amendment After Allowance pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.312 in response to the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due having a mailing date of February 11, 2003. An amendment may be entered after the mailing of a Notice of Allowance but prior to payment of the issue fee upon the recommendation of the primary examiner. Therefore, it is respectfully requested that the above-referenced application be amended as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following new Claims 46-47 as follows:

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33 ~~46~~. (New) The flocked transfer of claim ¹³~~26~~, wherein the free surface of the flock is in direct physical contact with the thermoplastic hot melt sheet.

34 ~~47~~. (New) The flocked transfer of Claim ³³~~46~~, wherein at least most of the free surface is in direct physical contact with the thermoplastic hot melt sheet.

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REMARKS

The newly added claims being dependent claims from allowed independent claims require no additional search or examination and are patentable for the same reasons as the independent claims from which they depend. The amendment is requested to further clarify the relationship between the flock and the thermoplastic hot melt sheet. The claims have not been earlier presented as the need for the claims was not appreciated when the Amendment and Response was filed. The claims are supported by the Specification. Support includes Fig. 4 and the accompanying text. A check in the amount of \$18.00 attached hereto to pay for the newly added claims. Please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 19-1970.

Accordingly, Applicant believes that the requirements of 37CFR§1.312 and MPEP§714.16 have been satisfied and entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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